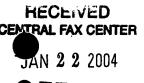
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the Patent Office action dated October 14, 2003, please amend claims 2, 3, 4, 12, 13 and 14 as shown on the attached sheets.